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"Obama's Government launches its environmental offensive"

Editorial in business oriented Valor Econômico (4-9) says:
"....Obama's government marked its debut in the negotiations for climate change. He sent a high-level team to the United Nations meeting that ended yesterday in Bonn. The State Department envoy Todd Stern made it clear that the new administration will give priority to actions against global warming.....The U.S. called for a meeting in Washington at the end of the month with the 16 major economies of the world, this initiative may accelerate a consensus. Bush times are definitely behind us."

"Talking to Islam - Obama puts U.S. closer to the Muslim World"

Editorial in center-right O Estado de S.Paulo (4-9) states:
"[President Barack] Obama seems close to assert himself as a great statesman-for his extraordinary ability to put in words and to express in actions full of symbolisms its political intentions, especially in the external front."
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